## WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

## **MONDAY OCTOBER 15, 2018**

The Warren County Commissioners met for their second meeting of the month of October 2018. Present for the meeting were Thomas Hetrick, Steve Eberly, Brian Jordan and Nancy Litzenberger. Also, in attendance are Jenny Hobaugh, Matt Herndon, Walt Wilson, Lori Heidenreich, Health Department, Becky Ehler.

- 1. The meeting was called to order by Steve Eberly, Commissioner President.
- 2. Steve Eberly, Commissioner led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Highway Department Matt Herndon, Highway Department Supervisor, stated that the guardrail will be started next week on State Line Road. Herndon stated that he is working on 2 quotes for Gillespie Bridge repair work and Potholes Road should be finished tomorrow. Work will then begin on 800 with berming as well as ditching, tree trimming around the county. Eberly inquired about the stone budget. Jenny Hobaugh, Highway Department Office Manager, stated the budget is approximately \$200,000. The equipment repair budget will need to be funded as it is over budget. Eberly inquired about the Responsible Person in Charge for INDOT and a meeting will be taking place in a few weeks. Hobaugh will be the RPC for the County when Eberly is out of office. Eberly explained that when we have federal aid open there will be INDOT meetings as well as quarterly meetings. VS Engineering will be involved about 3 weeks prior to meetings with INDOT report to be filed. Hobaugh has renewed her RPC for the coming year. Jordan inquired if there would be anything that will need to be invoiced and encumbered for the 2018 budget. Hobaugh stated that bids will be opened for new trucks on November 5 and funds will be from the 2019 budget. Hetrick inquired about the Peterbilt trucks lasting. Herndon stated that there has only been one issue previously and it was covered under warranty. The oldest is truck was purchased in the fall of 2016. Hetrick stated his experience is that the Peterbilt trucks are better built trucks than International. Herndon stated at \$3.45/ton Duraberm on River Road and worked really well and 300 N will be done next week. Hetrick stated that a taxpayer requested the Duraberm on 300N rather than stone as River Road looks so good. Duraberm works much better than stone. Eberly inquired about the wider machine and Herndon stated that it is in good shape. Hetrick stated that on October 23<sup>rd</sup> the State Highway Department in Crawfordsville is having an auction that might have equipment to look at. Hetrick stated that a lady here in Williamsport Orril Lucas turned 100 over the weekend and is requesting a sign on South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Hetrick will help Hobaugh with a list of 100-year-old residents.

## 4. New Business –

- A. Lori Heidenreich, Treasurer, discussed the Tax Sale Tuesday. At certification in July the County had 39 parcels totaling 42,798.53 that was outstanding and at the day of the sale the county only had 6 parcels. This is due to SRI and Cori Herndon, Deputy Treasurer, sending delinquent notices and the great response. On the tax sale there was one that bid began at \$1,549.52 that sold for \$3,000.00 and one at minimum bid of \$588.35 leaving 4 parcels that did not sell. Heidenreich presented the list. Heidenreich is recommending a certificate sale for the remaining parcels. There are 2 with buildings and 2 that are empty lots. The Commissioners questioned if the County should cleanup the parcels prior to certificate sale. Jordan will look into the Gress parcel this week. Heidenreich stated that the previous certificate sale had a minimum bid of \$75.00. Hetrick suggested having a certificate sale for the Pine Village/Williamsport parcels and the County cleaning up the other 2 parcels. Heidenreich explained that today the minimum bid amount will need to be set today, but the Certificate Sale can be set at a later date. Tom Hetrick made a motion to pass the resolution for setting the minimum bid at \$75.00 with a second from Brian Jordan, all voted in favor. Heidenreich explained that the Certificate Sale redemption period is 180 days, the taxes are removed after a deed has been recorded.
- B. Eberly inquired about the investment company. Heidenreich explained that Morgan Stanly is not accepting government clients under \$10,000,000 any longer. Heidenreich will be meeting with Morgan Stanley tomorrow and we will be moving investments to new company. BMO Harris has been discussed as Morgan Stanley not the broker any longer. We also use Umbaugh and First Financial for our investments which will remain. Heidenreich will inform the Commissioners after the meeting tomorrow. Hetrick congratulated Heidenreich on a job well done.
- C. Brian Jordan made a motion to approve the October 1, 2018 minutes with a second from Tom Hetrick, all voted in favor and the minutes were signed.
- D. Brian Jordan made a motion to approve the October 1, 2018 thru October 15, 2018 claim dockets with a second from Tom Hetrick, all voted in favor and the claim dockets were signed.
- E. Brian Jordan made a motion to approve the October 12, 2018 payroll dockets with a second from Tom Hetrick, all voted in favor and the payroll dockets were signed.

## 5. Elected Official/Department Head comments:

- A. Jenny Eads, Fountain Warren Health Department, presented information concerning a Drug Take Back Day on October 20<sup>th</sup> Covington CVS, October 27<sup>th</sup> at Attica CVS and Williamsport Hospital from 10 a.m. 2 p.m. There will be a Police Officer on duty whom will be taking the medications. Hetrick further stated that the Warren County Jail also has a receptacle for medication recycling.
- B. Brian Jordan presented a change order from Arsee Engineering concerning the Courthouse Roof Repair that had been previously discussed. There is a \$153,932.00 deduction which can be applied to the dome work. Jordan is requesting authorizing the change order to reduce the overall amount to \$877,553.00. The original total was \$1,031,485.00. Hetrick inquired about the stone on the north and west side of the building. Jordan stated that the current plan is to clean the stone and then seal the cracks. Hetrick questioned the replacement rather than resealing. Jordan stated that Arsee does not have a proposal for replacement at this time. Hetrick questioned the durability of sealing the entire roof if not replaced. Jordan stated that Arsee will be meeting with the County today and he will further investigate the stone in question. Hetrick inquired if there will be a guarantee on the work if the stone is not replaced to avoid a leak issue down the road and suggested looking further into this before deciding. Jordan stated that he looked through the Courthouse offices and vaults last week and discovered that the first floor has moisture issues as well. Hetrick inquired if the drains have been looked at as previously discussed. Jordan stated that

Johnson from Attica will use a camera to look at the drains on the courthouse and the jail. Hetrick questioned the drains that take the water away from the courthouse as well as the drains from the roof to be looked at.

- C. Steve Eberly updated the Commissioners on the Community Grant. There are several that are included such as Lilly, Purdue, IV Tech. The Lilly Grant will meet on Wednesday in the County. Eberly stated that there has been an effort from Seeger and Purdue to keep the graduating students local with semester long internships, as well as an AG Tech online program. There are issues with internet viability in the County which causes. Hetrick stated that with rural internet being brought to the Federal arena there could be hope for possibilities in the County. There is fiber in the County, but it is not very accessible. Jordan has been working on the what can be done concerning the people walking down Highway 28 to the Dollar General store. Jordan has talked to the State and has not had information back concerning a sidewalk from Washington Street to Railroad Street for safety.
- D. Bill Miller, Sheriff, stated that he has a contact that he will share concerning grant possibilities for a walking path. Miller stated that the cameras have been ran in the Jail drains and there was one area that was 90% plugged.
- E. Tom Hetrick stated that he is withdrawing the request to fence the County Farm pasture to save County funds. A letter was received from Fellure Farms stating they will not be farming the County farm next year. The commissioners will take this under advisement. Hetrick suggested waiting until the new year to renew the County Farm contracts.
- 6. Comments from public: No Comments.

Next Commissioner meeting will be held November 5, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.

There being no further business Brian Jordan made a motion to adjourn with a second from Tom Hetrick, all voted in favor.

ATTEST:

Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor

Steve Eberty President

Tom Hetrick

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W. Brian Jordan